

REMARKS

Claim 1 has been canceled, without prejudice. Claims 2-16 remain pending. Claims 2, 4-6 and 8-16 have been amended. The drawings have been amended to add text labels to the boxes illustrated in Figs. 1 and 2. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration of the present application is requested.


Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claims 5 and 9 include allowable subject matter. Claims 5 and 9 have been amended to be rewritten in independent form. Claims 2-4, 6-8 and 10-16 depend (directly or indirectly) from one of claims 5 or 9. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that claims 2-16 are in condition for allowance.

Claims 1-4, 6-8 and 10-16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being obvious over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/00466084 to Steele et al. Claim 1 has been canceled, without prejudice. Claims 2-4, 6-8 and 10-16 depend from one of claims 5 or 9. Thus, the rejection of claims 1-4, 6-8 and 10-16 should now be withdrawn.

Each of the issues raised by the Examiner has been addressed. It is respectfully submitted that all pending claims (2-16) are in condition for allowance. Passage to issuance is respectfully requested.

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